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I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

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The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed June 2, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application, having a shortened statutory period of response of three months, which expires on September 2, 2006. Should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for the filing of the present document, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Haynes and Boone, LLP's, Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

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